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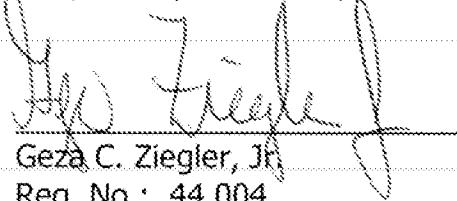
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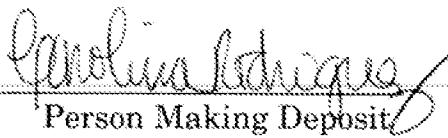
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Claim 3 recites a method for managing attribute data in a multiple platform architecture (p. 5, line 12 – p. 6, line 10). The method includes polling at least two platforms for attribute data (p. 5, lines 12-16; lines-22; 17 FIG. 3,4, Ref. 30a, collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms in response to the step of polling (p. 5, lines 14-16; 17-27; FIG. 3, Ref 30b, FIG. 4, Ref. 40d) and displaying the collected attribute data on a user display (p. 5, lines 14-16; 27-29;p. 5, line 12 – p. 6, line 10 FIG. 3, Ref. 30c; FIG. 4, Ref. 30c).

Claim 12 recites a software copyright information managing system for managing software copyright data in a multiple platform electronic architecture (See Figs. 2-5). The system includes a system controller for collecting the software copyright data from multiple platforms (p. 5, lines 12-22) and a user interface connected to the system controller for displaying the software copyright data from the memory to a user (p. 5, lines 5-11; p. 6, lines 17-19).

VI. GROUNDS OF REJECTION TO BE REVIEWED ON APPEAL

1.   Whether claims 3-6 and 8-11 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Nakagawa et al. (USPA Pub. 2003/0159065) ("Nakagawa").

2.   Whether claims 1-2, 7 and 12-17 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Nakagawa in view of "Strategy for Collecting Software Inventory Information Across a Local Area Network", IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin, 12/1994 (the "IBM Disclosure").